

**Forest Land-Chandrapur**

**Diversion of 0.160 ha. Forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in favour of M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Nagpur for laying Optical Fiber Cable within RoW of existing Hirapur to Saimara Tukum Road, in Chandrapur District in the State of Maharashtra.**

**Government of Maharashtra  
Revenue and Forest Department  
Government Order No.: FLD-3623/C.R.03/F-10  
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032.  
Date: 06.09.2023**

**Ref.:**

- 1) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/ NODAL / Yavatmal/ID-14269/2403/2022-23, dt.15.12.2022
- 2) Revenue and Forest Department, Government of Maharashtra, Government Order No. FLD-2023/C.R.03/F-10, Dt. 03.02.2023.
- 3) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-102449/Chandrapur/2023-24/1238, dt.21.07.2023.

**Order :**

Whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide his letter under reference No.1 has submitted a proposal to the State Government, which was received from M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Nagpur for Diversion of 0.160 ha. Forest land for laying of Optical Fiber Cable Line passing within RoW of Hirapur to Saimara Tukum Road, in Chandrapur the State Forest Department.

AND whereas, Government of Maharashtra after due consideration, vide its order under reference No. 2 accorded 'in-principle' approval with certain conditions to above proposal for diversion of 0.160 ha. Forest land under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide letter under reference No. 3 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of Maharashtra;

NOW, therefore, in exercise of powers conferred to State Government under general approval given vide MoEF&CC, Government of India's Handbook of Guidelines for effective and transparent implementation of the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 [Chapter-4, Para-4.2], Government of Maharashtra is pleased to grant **Final Approval** for Diversion of 0.160 ha. Forest Land.

Therefore, the Government of Maharashtra directs that 0.160 ha. Forest Land consisting of Unclassed Forest & Protected Forest Land more specifically described in the proposal submitted vide letter under reference No.1 and mentioned in the Schedule given below, be diverted to the User Agency, i.e. M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Nagpur for laying of Optical Fibre Cable passing within the RoW of Hirapur to Saimara Tukum Road, in Chandrapur. This approval for diversion of forest land is also subject to compliance of following conditions by the User Agency-

1. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Chandrapur should ensure that, the fulfilment of Condition No.2 and other conditions mentioned in the order, dated 03.02.2023, before giving actual possession of forest land to User Agency.
2. The diversion shall be effected subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the Order dated 03.02.2022.
3. The Chief Conservator of Forests / Deputy Conservator of Forests will reconfirm that compliances under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 and Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 are not needed for the project.
4. The User Agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated in the above mentioned 'in-principle' and in this order of Government of Maharashtra. The Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Chandrapur shall ensure the strict compliance of the conditions by the User Agency. CCF will furnish the report in this regard to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur from time to time.
5. Non-compliance of any of the conditions mentioned in Government of Maharashtra's order dated 03.02.2022, in this order and Rules and Guidelines made / issued under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, shall amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken accordingly.
6. In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions, the concerned Chief Conservator of Forests / Deputy Conservator of Forests shall report through the State Government to Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur as per procedure laid down in the guidelines under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

#### **SCHEDULE**

Sr. No.	Item	Name of the Village	Comptt. No.	Survey No.	Length x Width (in Mtr.)	Area (in ha.)	Remarks
1	for laying underground Optical Fiber Cable along Hirapur to Saimara Tukum Road in Sawli Tahsil by M/s. Reliance	Hirapur	--	251	157 x 0.5	0.00785	UF
2			--	136	105 x 0.5	0.00525	UF
3		Bothali	--	149	80 x 0.5	0.00400	UF
4			--	150	175 x 0.5	0.00875	UF
5			--	151	40 x 0.5	0.00200	UF
6		Pandharsarad	1686	2	305 x 0.5	0.01525	PF
7			1673	535	825 x 0.5	0.04125	PF
8			--	552	200 x 0.5	0.01000	UF
9			1668	11	205 x 0.5	0.01250	PF

10	Jio Infocom	Pendhari	--	52	75 x 0.5	0.00375	UF
11	Ltd. Nagpur		--	115	92 x 0.5	0.00460	UF
12	under		--	114	30 x 0.5	0.00150	UF
13	Chandrapur		--	41	20 x 0.5	0.00100	UF
14	Forest Division		--	196	12 x 0.5	0.00060	UF
15	in Chandrapur		1665	190	200 x 0.5	0.01000	PF
16	District in the		1644	135	225 x 0.5	0.01125	PF
17	State of	Mundala		353	25 x 0.5	0.00125	PF
18	Maharashtra.			352	126 x 0.5	0.00630	PF
19				350	92 x 0.5	0.00460	PF
20		Saimara Tukum	1631	101	163 x 0.5	0.00815	PF
<b>Total Area in ha.</b>						<b>0.160</b>	

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

**(Ganesh Jadhao)**

**Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra**

**Copy to:**

1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi
2. Deputy Director General of Forest (Central), Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Maha-CAMPA), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
5. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, M.S., Nagpur
6. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), M.S., Nagpur
7. Collector, Chandrapur.
8. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Chandrapur.
9. Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Chandrapur.
10. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Chandrapur.
11. M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Nagpur.
12. Select File, Desk F-10.

- I. Collector- Chandrapur, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Chandrapur and Deputy Conservator of Forests, Chandrapur are hereby directed to forward the copy of this order to concerned Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats, Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government and they shall also

ensure the display of this order on their notice board as well as on the notice board of local self-government bodies for the information of general public.

- II. M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Nagpur is hereby directed that they should publish the entire order of forest clearances granted in verbatim along with the details of Survey No., Gut No., area and legal status of each Survey, Gut No.etc. along with the conditions and safe guards imposed by the State Government while granting forest clearances in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and other in English language. Copy of the Newspapers be submitted to Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Chandrapur & Deputy Conservator of Forests, Chandrapur.
- III. Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government are hereby directed to display the same on their notice board for 30 days from the date of receipt for the information of general public.